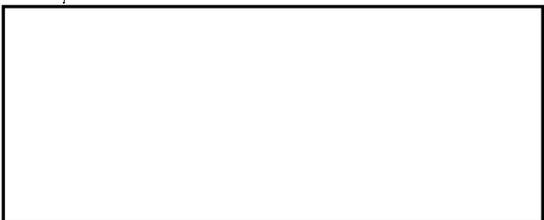


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Thank you for your thoughtful letter of 28 January. I have passed your kind remarks along to everyone to whom you paid tribute. It is great that during your brief exposure here, the warmth and effectiveness of these fine people came through to you as it does to so many of us who are fortunate enough to be on the receiving end on a daily basis. Since you were here, we have lost the services of [redacted]. She will be sorely missed but has accepted a challenging position in the Pentagon as an assistant to the Secretary of Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense.

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I understand you have expressed an interest in working here. By this time you will have received an acknowledgment from Fred Janney, our Director of Personnel, and I know that he will give your application very careful and prompt attention. I am told that your application is now in the hands of all those offices in which you have expressed an interest.

Good luck and thanks for writing.

Faithfully yours,

/s/ E. H. Knoche

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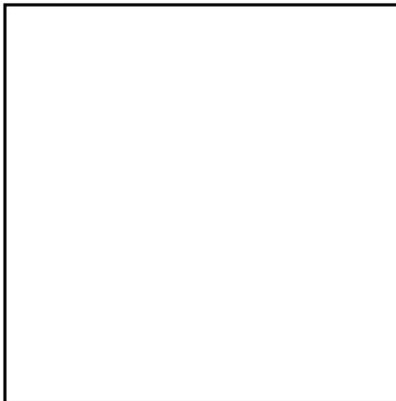


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January 28, 1977

Mr. E. H. Knoche
Deputy Director of
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The Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20013

Dear Mr. Knoche:

It was a privilege and a great pleasure to have been able to speak with you before I left Washington last week. I find it difficult to put into words all the feelings that I have for your Agency and for all of the people that were so kind to me. I know that Ted Sorensen will be writing to you directly to express our thanks, but from my more limited and personal perspective, I wanted you to know of my gratitude for the outstanding job done by members of your staff.

STAT [redacted] was superb in making reservations, scheduling work and handling so many of the administrative details of our efforts. The work done by [redacted] was outstanding, many nights they found themselves working until dawn and not once during that time were they anything other than cooperative and superbly able. The loyalty and dedication of your personnel appears to be typical of so many of the people of the Agency, but surely their abilities must rank them among the very best qualified.

STAT [redacted] of the Directors' office did an equally superb job for us. They rivaled [redacted] in their ability to work long hours under extremely difficult conditions. [redacted] took over Ted Sorensen's social scheduling and coordinated many, many activities in her superbly competent fashion as well.

STAT [redacted] and his kitchen staff, particularly [redacted] worked many, many extra hours and did a superb job. They seemed to be there for breakfast in the

very early morning and continued to work through numerous late suppers. Despite the long hours, they were unfailingly courteous and did truly outstanding jobs in preparing meals for all of us.

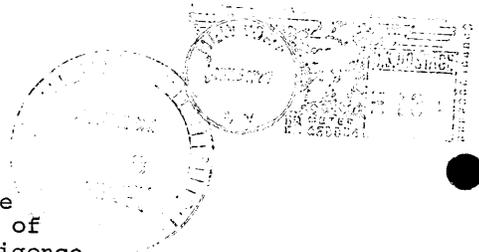
The telephone operators most sadly remain nameless but their work in handling a tremendous volume of both incoming and outgoing calls was outstanding.

It would be presumptuous of me to comment on the quality of work done by Mr. Blake's staff or by members of the General Counsel's and Legislative Counsel's offices. I know that Ted will want to tell you directly of the outstanding job they did. I made many true friends during my week with them. They are a dedicated and able group of men and I felt myself privileged to be associated with them.

Perhaps the greatest privilege of my time in Washington was the opportunity to work with and learn from His ability and steadiness under pressure was a great source of strength to me. During my time with him, I found myself developing the same mixture of respect and affection that I feel towards my father. I know that he is a man whose counsel I will seek often in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

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